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Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear (CBRN) Protective Ensemble Standard,
Certification Program Requirements, and Selection and Application Guide

AGENCY: National Institute of Justice

ACTION: Notice and Request for Comments

SUMMARY: In an effort to obtain comments from interested parties, the U.S.

Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, National Institute of Justice (NIJ) will make available to the general public (at www.justnet.org) three draft documents related to Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear (CBRN) protective ensembles used by law enforcement agencies.

DATES: The comment period will be open until [INSERT DATE 45 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information, see www.justnet.org, or contact David Otterson by telephone at 301-519-5498 or by e-mail at dotterson@justnet.org.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In an effort to obtain comments from interested parties, the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, National Institute of Justice (NIJ) will make available to the general public (at www.justnet.org)

three draft documents related to Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear (CBRN) protective ensembles used by law enforcement agencies:

- 1. Draft CBRN Protective Ensemble Standard for Law Enforcement.
- 2. Draft Law Enforcement CBRN Protective Ensemble Certification Program Requirements.
- 3. Draft Law Enforcement CBRN Protective Ensemble Selection and Application Guide.

The opportunity to provide comments on these documents is open to industry technical representatives, law enforcement agencies and organizations, research, development and scientific communities, and all other stakeholders and interested parties. Those individuals wishing to obtain and provide comments on the draft documents under consideration are directed to the following Web site: http://www.justnet.org

Please note that all comments received are considered part of the public record and may be made available for public inspection online. Such information includes personal identifying information (such as name and address) voluntarily submitted by the commenter.

If you wish to submit personal identifying information (such as your name, address, etc.) as part of your comment, but do not wish for it to be posted online, you must include the phrase "PERSONAL IDENTIFYING INFORMATION" in the first paragraph of your comment. You also must locate all the personal identifying information you do not wish to be posted online in the first paragraph of your comment and clearly identify what information you would like redacted.

If you wish to submit confidential business information as part of your comment but do not wish for it to be posted online, you must include the phrase "CONFIDENTIAL"

BUSINESS INFORMATION" in the first paragraph of your comment. You also must

prominently identify confidential business information to be redacted within the

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effectively redacted, all or part of that comment may not be posted online.

Personal identifying information and confidential business information identified

and located as set forth above will be placed in the agency's public docket file (which

will be made available for public inspection upon request), but not posted online.

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